SERIAL 05053 - IGA BIOHAZARDOUS MEDICAL WASTE SERVICES (NIGP 92645)

MIHS C-90-05-580-1

CONTRACT PERIOD BEGINNING APRIL 01, 2005 ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2007

TO: All Departments

FROM: Department of Materials Management

SUBJECT: Contract for **BIOHAZARDOUS MEDICAL WASTE SERVICES (NIGP 92645)**

Attached to this letter is a listing of vendors available to Maricopa County Agencies utilizing the MARICOPA INTEGRATED HEALTH SYSTEM C-90-05-580-1. The using agency and other interested parties may access and electronic version of this contract from the Materials Management Web site at:

http://www.maricopa.gov/materials/Awarded_Contracts/search.asp.

Please note: Price Agreement Purchase Orders (PG documents) may be generated using the information from this list. Use Commodity Code(s) S050908 B0603758

All purchases of product(s) listed on the attached pages of this letter are to be obtained from the listed contractor(s).

CONTRACT FOR BIOHAZARDOUS MEDICAL WASTES SERVICES MARICOPA INTEGRATED HEALTH SYSTEM 2611 East Pierce, Phoenix, Arizona 85008

1.	Contract No.: <u>C- 90-05-580-1</u>	2.	Contract Type:	Unit Cost	
3.	Contract Amount: NTE \$ 100,000 Annually	4.	Contractor FEI/S	SN: <u>363-640-402</u>	
5.	Start Date: March 1, 2005	6.	Expiration Date:	February 28, 2007	
Hea cons forth		Health Syst orth herein, s es shall be g ny Subcont ection III – W	tem("MIHS"). Th shall provide and po governed by the te	e Contractor, for and in erform the services as set rms of this document, its	
und exis any	c Contract contains all the terms and constanding, oral or otherwise, regarding the st or to bind any of the parties hereto. Nothin suit, action or waiver of any defense in a sunty, MIHS, or Contractor, in any State or Fe	subject m g in this Co suit brough	atter of this Cont ontract shall be co t against the Stat	ract shall be deemed to instrued as a consent to	
add	al notice under this Contract shall be given by presses set forth below and shall be effective upon cated in said notice.				
Notice to Contractor: Steve Gentile, Major Acct Executive Phone: 480-917-9357 Fax: 480-917-9327					
Address: 1251 S. Nelson Drive, Chandler, AZ 85226					
Noti	ce to MIHS: Maricopa Integrated Health Syste	m, Attentior	n: Contracts Admi	nistrator	
Address: 2611 E Pierce, 2nd Floor, Phoenix, AZ 85008 Phone: 602-344-1484 Fax: 602-344-1813					
IN V	VITNESS WHEREOF, the parties enter into this	s Contract:			
C	CONTRACTOR	DISTRICT	A COUNTY SPECIA	L HEALTH CARE	
BY:	Signature	BY: Steve E	Ellis, Procurement Di	rector	
	Steve Gentile, Major Account Executive Typed name & Title				

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1. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

To the extent that the Special Provisions, if any, are in conflict with the General Provisions, the Special Provisions shall control. To the extent that the Work Statement is in conflict with the General Provisions or the Special Provisions, then the Work Statement shall control. To the extent that the Compensation Provisions are in conflict with the General Provisions, Special Provisions or Work Statement, then the Compensation Provisions shall control.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

<u>Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)</u> means Arizona's Medicaid program and the state's health care program for persons whom do not qualify for Medicaid.

<u>Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS)</u> means a component of AHCCCS, which, in addition to acute care and behavioral health services, provides long term care services and case management to eligible elderly and/or physically disabled (E/PD) members and developmentally disabled (DD) members, through contractual and other arrangements.

Beneficiary means any person designated by or on behalf of a Payer or funder as eligible to receive Covered Services under a Payer Contract.

<u>Benefit Plan</u> means the health care services for which a Beneficiary is eligible and the conditions and circumstances under which payment will be made for such services on behalf of the Beneficiary.

<u>Billed Charges</u> means charges billed by a provider for rendering services to a Member, Beneficiary or Patient.

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of Maricopa Integrated Health System or his/her designee.

<u>Clean Claim</u> means a claim that may be processed to adjudication without obtaining additional information from the Contractor or provider of service or from a third party, but it does not include claims under investigation for fraud or abuse or claims under review for medical necessity.

<u>Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)</u> means the federal agency, within the Department of Health and Human Services that administers Medicare and Medicaid.

<u>Comprehensive Health Center (CHC)</u> means the Family Health Center, located on the Maricopa Medical Center campus, which provides outpatient primary and specialty care services.

<u>Contract</u> means this document and all its attachments and amendments, including where applicable, contractors/respondents proposal.

<u>Contractor</u> means the person, firm or organization listed on the cover page of this Contract and includes its agents, employees, and sub-contractors.

<u>Copayment</u> means a payment made to the participating health care provider by a Plan Member or Beneficiary at the time that selected services are rendered.

County means Maricopa County, a political subdivision of the State of Arizona.

<u>Covered Services</u> means those services and supplies payable under AHCCCS, Medicare, a Health or Benefit plan, an insurance, payer, grant agreements or a Payer Contract that are, if applicable, preauthorized and provided to a Member as part of a specified Benefit Plan.

Department means any Department of Maricopa County other than Maricopa Integrated Health System.

Family Healthcare Centers (FHC) means one or more of the 12 facilities listed below:

Avondale FHC	Chandler FHC	Comprehensive Health Ctr.
950 East Van Buren	811 South Hamilton	2601 East Roosevelt
Avondale, AZ 85323	Chandler, AZ 85225	Phoenix, AZ 85008
Phone: (623) 344-6800	Phone: (480) 344-6100	Phone: (602) 344-1015
El Mirage FHC	Glendale FHC	Guadalupe FHC
12428 W. Thunderbird	5141 West LaMar	5825 East Calle Guadalupe
El Mirage, AZ 85335	Glendale, AZ 85301	Guadalupe, AZ 85283
Phone: (623) 344-6500	Phone: (623) 344-6700	Phone: (480) 344-6000
Maryvale FHC	McDowell FHC	Mesa FHC
4011 North 51st Ave.	1144 East McDowell Rd.	59 South Hibbert
Phoenix, AZ 85031	Phoenix, AZ 85006	Mesa, AZ 85202
Phone: (623) 344-6900	Phone: (602) 344-6550	Phone: (480) 344-6200
Seventh Avenue FHC	South Central FHC	Sunnyslope FHC
407 South 9th Ave	33 West Tamarisk Ave.	934 West Hatcher Road
Phoenix, AZ 85009	Phoenix, AZ 85040	Phoenix, AZ 85020
Phone: (602) 344-6600	Phone: (602) 344-6400	Phone: (602) 344-6300

<u>Fraud</u> means an intentional deception or misrepresentation made by a person with the knowledge that the deception could result in some unauthorized benefit to himself or some other person. It includes any act that constitutes fraud under applicable state or federal law.

<u>Grievance</u> means a complaint concerning an adverse action, decision, or policy by Contractor, its subcontractor, non-contracted provider, MIHS, or the AHCCCS Administration, presented by an individual or entity.

<u>HIPAA</u> means the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (PL 104-191) and the United States Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) final regulations on "Privacy Standards for Individually Identifiable Health Information", as amended and clarified from time to time.

JCAHO means the Joint Commission for the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

<u>Maricopa Health System</u> means Maricopa Medical Center (MMC) and the Family Healthcare Centers (FHCs).

<u>Maricopa Integrated Health System (MIHS)</u> means the component of Maricopa County Government that operates the Maricopa Health System and the MIHS Health Plans.

<u>Maricopa Medical Center (MMC)</u> means the hospital component of MIHS located at 2601 East Roosevelt, Phoenix, Arizona.

<u>MIHS Health Plans (MIHS – HP)</u> means the component within MIHS that operates the managed care plans including Maricopa Health Plan (MHP), Maricopa Long Term Care Plan (MLTCP), Health Select (HS) and Maricopa Senior Select Plan (MSSP) as defined herein.

<u>Member</u> means a person enrolled in a MIHS Health Plan.

Non-Covered Services means all services that are other than Covered Services.

<u>Participating Provider</u> means a qualified provider of primary care services or other providers of health care services, including hospitals and providers of post acute and ancillary services, who has entered into an agreement with the MIHS Health Plans to provide Covered Services to Members or Beneficiaries.

<u>Patient</u> means any individual who is provided health care at a MIHS owned, operated or contracted health care facility or by a MIHS contracted provider.

<u>Payer</u> means any party other than MIHS and Contractor who is obligated to make payments to MIHS and/or the Contractor pursuant to a contract or standards of participation for the provision of health care services.

<u>Payer Contract</u> means an agreement between MIHS and a Payer or funder, pursuant to which MIHS agrees to provide or arrange to provide Covered Services to Members, Patients, or Beneficiaries.

<u>Plan</u> means a health benefits plan under which a Payer/Funder has contracted with MIHS to provide or arrange, to provide Covered Services to enrolled Members, Beneficiaries or Patients.

<u>Subcontractor</u> means a sub-contractor to the Contractor for performance under this Contract.

3. LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. This Contract and Contractor is subject to all state and federal laws, rules and regulations that pertain hereto, including OSHA statutes and regulations.
- B. If this Contract is written for the purpose of providing services to Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) or Arizona Long Term Care System (ALTCS) members, then the requirements contained herein are subject to the requirements of the AHCCCS/ ALTCS Approved Subcontract provisions (see Attachment A), since the Contractor under this Contract would become a Sub-Contractor of AHCCCS and subject to AHCCCS' regulations, policies and procedures, as applicable to this Contract.

If this Contract is written for the purpose of providing services to MSSP members, the requirements contained herein are subject to the requirements of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) relating to Medicare and applicable programs, such as Medicare + Choice. Therefore, the Contractor is a subcontractor of CMS, and must comply with applicable Medicare laws, rules and regulations and is subject to CMS's rules and regulations, policies and procedures, as applicable to this Contract.

C. The terms of this Contract shall be construed in accordance with the laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and zoning restrictions of the United States of America, the State of Arizona, County of Maricopa, and the appropriate municipality; any action thereon shall be brought in the appropriate court in the State of Arizona.

4. NO GUARANTEED VOLUME

MIHS makes no representations nor guarantees the Contractor any maximum or minimum volume, payment, reimbursement, member assignment or number of units of service to be provided.

5. NON-EXCLUSIVE STATUS

MIHS reserves the right to have the same or similar service provided by a provider other than the Contractor. Contractor will not be obligated to render professional services exclusively on behalf of MIHS or to Members or Patients; provided however, that such non-MIHS activities do not hinder, impair or conflict with Contractor's ability to fully perform its obligations under this Contract.

6. **UNIVERSALITY**

This Contract is awarded on behalf of Maricopa County in its entirety. Any Department in Maricopa County that has need, of the services identified herein may utilize such services. Such use by other County Departments will require an amendment to this Contract to adjust the issues related to such, other services, specify the process for claims submission, and address any other Department's processes that vary from this Contract.

7. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS

Contractor shall fully cooperate with other MIHS contractors and subcontractors and carefully plan and perform its own work to accommodate the work of other MIHS contractors. The Contractor shall not commit or permit any act, which will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor, with the exception of those necessary to protect Members from danger.

8. SAFEGUARDING OF CONFIDENTIAL AND PRIVILEGED MEMBER INFORMATION

MIHS and Contractor shall safeguard confidential and privileged Member and Patient information i.e., medical, financial and patient specific information, and shall only disclose such information in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, and/or regulations, including HIPAA. The use or disclosure by any party of any information concerning a Member or Patient served under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract is directly limited to services under this Contract subject to applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and/or regulations. Contractor's obligation to maintain the confidentiality of all medical, financial and patient specific information shall exist after termination or expiration of this Contract. Contractor shall assist MIHS with regard to MIHS' obligation to comply with HIPAA.

9. SUPPLY AND OWNERSHIP OF INFORMATION

Each party shall supply to the other party, upon request, any available information that is relevant to this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract and to the performance of the parties hereunder.

Subject to applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations, including without limitation those concerning confidentiality of Member and Patient records, MIHS shall have shared ownership rights to such records whether housed by Contractor or MIHS and the shared right to inspect, reproduce, duplicate, distribute, display, disclose and otherwise use all records, reports, information, data and material prepared by the Contractor in performance of the Contract.

10. LICENSES AND PERMITS

The Contractor shall, without limitation, obtain and maintain all licenses, permits, and authority necessary to do business, render services, and perform work under this Contract, and shall comply with all laws regarding unemployment insurance, disability insurance, and worker's compensation. Contractor shall pay all charges and fees necessary and incidental to the lawful conduct of his business. He shall keep himself current and fully informed of existing and future federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations, which in any manner affect the fulfillment of this contract and shall comply with the same.

The Contractor and Contractor's employees and subcontractors must not be under any sanctions, restrictions or provisional status from any applicable federal or state licensing/certifying/credentialing agency, including but not limited to JCAHO.

11. TAX AND INSURANCE OBLIGATIONS

Contractor assumes sole and exclusive responsibility for payment of any state and federal income taxes, federal social security taxes, workmen's and unemployment insurance benefits for its physicians, staff, agents and employees as well as any and all other mandatory governmental deductions or obligations; in addition, Contractor assumes sole and exclusive responsibility for any pension or retirement program(s) for its physicians, staff, agents or employees whether required by law or not; in connection with the obligations contained in this paragraph, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless Maricopa County or AHCCCS for any and all liability which Maricopa County and AHCCCS may incur as a result of Contractor's failure to pay such taxes or any such financial responsibility, as well as Maricopa County's and AHCCCS's liability for any such taxes or mandatory governmental obligations.

12. RETENTION AND ADEQUACY OF RECORDS

The Contractor agrees to retain all financial books, records, and other documents pertaining to this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract for at least six years after final payment or until six years after the resolution of any audit questions or disputes. The County, MIHS, state or federal auditors and any other persons duly authorized by MIHS shall have full access to, and the right to examine, copy and make use of any and all said materials. The Contractor's medical and clinical record system will provide accurate, timely, complete, organized and legible information.

13. CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING

MIHS shall monitor the Contractor's compliance with and performance under this Contract. On-site visits for compliance monitoring may be made by MIHS, its designees and/or its Payer/Funder at any time during the Contractor's normal business hours, announced or unannounced. The Contractor shall make available for inspection and copying for MIHS' monitors, all records and accounts relating to the work performed or the services provided under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract. Upon request, the Contractor will investigate and respond in writing to appropriate MIHS staff concerns within ten (10) calendar days of receipt or notification of a request.

If MIHS needs the assistance or expertise of a private accounting, auditing, health care financing or contract compliance firm, and if Contractor and Maricopa County agree in writing, they will equally share such expenses.

Contractor agrees to take timely corrective action to resolve any problem identified from monitoring findings.

MIHS may change or add to such requirements, laws, rules and regulations from time to time.

14. <u>AUDIT AND AUDIT DISALLOWANCE</u>

MIHS reserves the right to audit any financial records of the Contractor or any Subcontractor(s), which relate to the terms under this Contract including services and billings made to MIHS. Such audits will be made at MIHS' expense at a time and place convenient to the Contractor. If the Contractor desires to participate in the selection of the auditor, the Contractor must be willing to share equally in the costs.

MIHS representatives displaying MIHS identification shall have the right during normal business hours, to enter the Contractor's facility for the purpose of examining records and related documents pertaining to services performed under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract and Contractor shall make available such records as requested.

If at any time it is determined by MIHS that a service or commodity for which payment has been made is disallowed, MIHS shall notify the Contractor in writing with the required course of action. It is at MIHS's option to submit an invoice to Contractor for the amount, to adjust any future claim submitted by the Contractor in the amount of the disallowance or to require repayment plus interest at the rate provided in ARS § 44-1201 of the disallowed amount by the Contractor.

Contractor, upon written notice, shall reimburse MIHS for any payments made under this Contract which are disallowed by a state, federal or Maricopa County audit in the amount of the disallowance.

Should either party undertake court action concerning a disallowance, the prevailing party shall receive, as part of its remedy, compensation for reasonable attorney fees, costs, expenses and court costs.

15. COUNTY RECOUPMENT RIGHTS

In addition to any other remedies set forth in this Contract, MIHS has the right to recoup, offset or withhold from Contractor any monies that Contractor has received but not yet provided the services, or where such monies should not have been provided to Contractor under the terms of this Contract or any other Payer Contract or where MIHS is obligated to recoup under state or federal laws.

16. DISPUTES

Except as otherwise provided by law, any dispute arising under this Contract shall be submitted to the Maricopa County Dispute Process as specified in applicable MIHS Procurement Code or under the Maricopa County Procurement Code Article 9 (the latter is available at www.maricopa.gov) as amended from time to time.

17. NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Contractor shall not in any way discriminate against any Member or Patient on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, health status and genetics, political affiliation or belief. The Contractor shall include a clause to this effect in all its pertinent subcontracts. The Contractor shall also comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

18. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Contractor will not discriminate against and shall take positive action to ensure that discrimination does not occur regarding any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex national origin, age, disability, or political affiliation. Employment discrimination includes harassment

because of an individual's race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability. The Contractor will, to the extent such provisions apply, comply with the Equal Pay Act of 1963; Title VI and VII of the Federal Civil Rights Act; the Federal Rehabilitation Act; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986; and Arizona Executive Order 99-4 and Federal Order 11246, which mandates that all persons shall have equal access to employment opportunities. Furthermore, Contractor shall not violate any local, state, or federal law, rule or regulation prohibiting discrimination in employment.

19. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee excepting bona-fide employees or bona-fide established commercial or selling agencies retained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, MIHS shall have the right to terminate this Contract without liability and at its sole discretion, to deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

20. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS AND NON-LIABILITY

- A. The Contractor is an Independent Contractor in the performance of all work and the provision of all services under this Contract and is not to be considered an officer, employee, or agent of Maricopa County.
- B. This Contract is not intended to constitute, create, give rise to or otherwise recognize a joint venture agreement or relationship, partnership or formal business organization of any kind, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be only those expressly set forth in the contract.
- C. Maricopa County and its officers and employees shall not be liable for any act or omission by the Contractor occurring in the performance under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract, nor shall the County be liable for purchases or contracts made by the Contractor in anticipation of funding hereunder.

21. INDEMNIFICATION

A. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County and MIHS, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses (including but not limited to attorney fees, court costs) relating to, arising out of, or alleged to have resulted from the Contractor's acts, errors, omissions or mistakes relating to any professional services as well as any other activity of or by Contractor under this Contract or any other Payer Contracts that are incorporated into this Contract. Contractor's duty to hold harmless, defend and indemnify the County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees shall arise in connection with any claim, damage, loss or expense that is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, or injury to, impairment, or destruction of property including loss of use resulting therefore, caused by any acts, errors, mistakes or omissions related to any professional services as well as any other activity under the terms of this Contract, or any other Payer Contracts that are incorporated into this Contract, including any person for whose acts, errors, mistakes or omissions the Contractor may be legally liable.

In addition to the indemnification obligations set forth above, if the Contractor provides goods or services other than direct patient care services under this Contract, Contractor must provide for the

defense and defend County and MIHS in any actions referenced above.

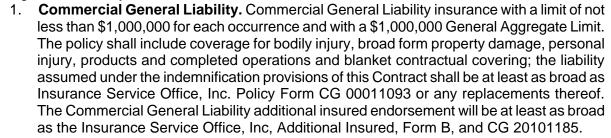
- B. Nothing in this Contract or any other Payer Contracts that are incorporated into this Contract may be construed as limiting the scope of the indemnification provisions contained in this Contact.
- C. The provisions of this paragraph and the Contractor's indemnification obligation will survive beyond the expiration or termination of this Contract.

22. INSURANCE PROVISIONS AND REQUIRED COVERAGE, TERM AND TERMINATIONS

- A. **General**. The Contractor shall, at its own expense, purchase and maintain the minimum insurance specified below with companies duly licensed, with a current A.M. Best, Inc. Rating of B++6, or approved unlicensed by the State of Arizona Department of Insurance.
- B. **Additional Insured**. The insurance coverage, except Workers' Compensation, required by this Contract, shall name the County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees as Additional Insured.
- C. Duration of Coverage. All insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect during the term of this Contract and until all work or services required to be performed has been satisfactorily completed and formally accepted by MIHS. Thereafter, the insurance and indemnification provisions contained in this Contact will extend beyond the termination date of this Contract.
- D. **Tail Coverage.** In the event any insurance policy (ies) required by this Contract are written on a "claims made" basis, coverage shall extend for at least two years beyond the termination of this Contract, and such coverage shall be evidenced in the Certificates of Insurance.
- E. Claim Reporting. Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of Contractor's policies or any breach of a policy warranty shall not affect Contractor's obligations or coverage afforded under the policies to protect the County.
- F. **Waiver (Subrogation).** The policies, except Workers' Compensation, shall contain a waiver of transfer rights of recovery (subrogation) against the County, its agents, representatives, directors, officers, and employees for any claims arising out of the Contractor's work or service.
- G. **Deductible/Retention.** Contractor's policies may provide coverage, which contain deductibles or self-insured retention's. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the deductible and/or self-insured retention.
- H. Certificates of Insurance. Prior to commencing work or services under this Contract, Contractor shall furnish the County with Certificates of Insurance, or formal endorsements evidencing that the required policies and/or coverage are in full force and effect during term of this Contract and where relevant, thereafter. All Certificates of Insurance shall be identified with this Contract number and title.
- I. Cancellation and Expiration Notice. Insurance required by the terms of this Contract shall not expire, be canceled, or materially changed without 15 days prior written notice to the County. If a policy does expire during the life of this Contract, a renewal Certificate must be sent to the County fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date.
- J. Copies of Policies. The County reserves the right to request and receive, within 10 working days

of the request, certified copies of any or all of the above policies and/or endorsements referenced herein.

- K. **Primary Coverage.** Contractor's insurance shall be the primary insurance under the terms of this contract as respects the County; any insurance or self insurance program maintained by County shall not contribute to Contractor's insurance obligations hereunder.
- L. **Types of Coverage Required.** Contractor is required to procure and maintain the following coverages indicated by a checkmark:



Such policy shall contain a severability of interest provision, and shall not contain a sunset provision or commutation clause, or any provision, which would serve to limit any third party action over claims.

- 2. Automobile Liability. Commercial/Business Automobile Liability insurance with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of not less than \$500,000 each occurrence with respect to any of the Contractor's owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of the Contractor's work or services under this Contract. Coverage will be at least as broad as coverage code 1, "any auto", (Insurance Service Office, Inc. Policy Form CA 00011293, or any replacements thereof).
- 3. Workers' Compensation. Workers' Compensation insurance to cover obligations imposed by federal and state statutes having jurisdiction of Contractor's employees engaged in the performance of the work or services under this Contract; and Employer's Liability insurance of not less than \$100,000 for each accident, \$100,000 disease for each employee, and \$500,000 disease policy limit.
- 4. **Professional Liability**. Professional Liability insurance (for health care, and health care related services) which will provide coverage for any and all acts arising out of the work or services performed by the Contractor under the terms of this Contract, with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for each claim, and \$3,000,000 for all (aggregate) claims.
- 5. **Errors and Omissions Insurance**. Errors and Omissions Insurance, other than Professional Liability Coverage referenced above, which will insure and provide coverage for errors or omissions of the Contractor, with limits of no less than \$1,000,000 for each claim and \$3,000,000 in the aggregate.

23. ASSIST WITH DEFENSE IN LITIGATION

Contractor agrees to cooperate in the defense of lawsuits or other quasi-legal actions arising from work performed under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract. Cooperation may include, but not be limited to, participating in depositions, interpreting medical records, meeting with County Attorney staff, or other representatives of the County.

24. USE OF COUNTY PROPERTY

- A. The Contractor shall not use County premises, property (including equipment, instruments and supplies), or personnel for any purpose other than the performance of the duties under this Contract.
- B. Contractor will be responsible for any damages to County property when such property is the responsibility of or in the custody of the Contractor, his employees or subcontractors.

25. SEVERABILITY

Any provision of this Contract which is determined to be invalid, void or illegal shall in no way affect, impair or invalidate any other provision hereof, and remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

26. NO WAIVER OF STRICT COMPLIANCE

Acceptance by MIHS of performance not in strict compliance with the terms hereof shall not be deemed to waive the requirement of strict compliance for all future performance obligations.

27. PROHIBITION AGAINST LOBBYING

- A. Pursuant to P.L.101-121 (31 U.S.C.§1352) recipients of federal contracts, grants, loans, or cooperative agreements are prohibited from using appropriated funds to pay anyone to influence or attempt to influence Congress, or an executive agency, in connection with any federal grant, contract or loan.
- B. Contractor shall not use, directly or indirectly, any of the monies received pursuant to the terms of this Contract for purposes of lobbying, influencing, or attempting to influence, any governmental entity, public official or member of any state, county, or local governmental entity, with regard to any grant, contract or loan.

28. QUALITY MANAGEMENT

Contractor shall fully cooperate with MIHS to fulfill any quality management program requirements undertaken by MIHS or required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), AHCCCS/ALTCS, Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), and all other regulatory or accrediting bodies, including but not limited to the JCAHO, that pertain to services provided under this Contract.

29. CERTIFICATION OF COST AND PRICING DATA

A. The Contractor certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, any cost or pricing data submitted is accurate, complete and current as of the date submitted or mutually agreed upon date. The price(s) may be adjusted to exclude any amounts by which MIHS finds that the price was increased because the Contractor furnished cost or pricing date that was inaccurate, incomplete or not current as of the date of certification. The Contractor has a continuing duty to report to MIHS that the price was increased because the cost or pricing data was inaccurate, incomplete or not current as off the date of certification. The certifying of cost or pricing data does not apply when federal or state law or regulations set contract rates.

B. Where applicable, the Subcontractor's rate shall not exceed that of the Contractor's rate, as bid in the pricing sections, unless the Contractor is willing to absorb any higher rates. The Subcontractor's invoice shall be invoiced directly to the Contractor, who in turn shall pass-through the costs to MIHS, without mark-up. A copy of the Subcontractor's invoice must accompany the Contractor's invoice.

30. USE OF CONTRACTOR'S NAME, SYMBOLS AND SERVICE MARKS

MIHS may utilize Contractor's name as one of its Contractors or providers in its marketing literature. Use of the Contractor's name for any other purpose requires Contractor's prior approval.

While each party agrees to permit the other to use that party's address, photograph, telephone number, and description of services in its regulatory documentation or for marketing purposes, neither party may use the other party's name, symbols or trademarks, nor any proprietary information without prior written approval of the other party.

31. CONTRACTORS COMPLIANCE WITH PAYER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

MIHS and Contractor will comply with policies and procedures imposed by Payers regarding services performed by Contractor or MIHS under a Payer Contract, including but not limited to prior authorization, encountering, claim submission and verification of Covered Services provision.

32. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY RIGHTS

The obligation of each party under this Contract is intended to solely benefit the other party. No other person shall be a third party beneficiary of this Contract, nor have any rights under this Contract.

33. TERM OF THIS CONTRACT AND RIGHT TO EXTEND

The term of this Contract shall be as set forth on the Cover Page, unless otherwise terminated or extended in accordance with the terms of this Contract.

Subject to the availability of funds and acceptable Contractor performance, MIHS may extend this Contract for additional periods, not to exceed a total term of five years from the Effective Date.

34. ADJUSTMENTS TO CONTRACT TERM AND PRICE

Requests for change in Contract terms, including price adjustments, shall be submitted by Contractor 120 days prior to the expiration date. Any increase in the cost of service or price, must be mutually acceptable to MIHS and the Contractor and be incorporated into this Contract by amendment.

Contractor guarantees that the County is receiving the lowest price offered by the Contractor to other customers for similar services at comparable volumes in a similar geographic area. If at any time during the Contract period the Contractor offers a lower price to another customer, and notification is not made to MIHS of price reductions to another such customer, upon discovery, the County may take any or all of the following actions:

- 1. Amend this Contract to give MIHS the benefit of the price reduction.
- 2. Determine the amount which the County was overcharged and submit a request for payment from the Contractor for that amount.
- 3. Take the necessary steps to collect any performance surety provided on the applicable contract.

4. Terminate this Contract, if it is currently in effect.

35. ASSIGNMENTS

- A. Neither this Contract, nor any portion thereof, may be assigned to another party by Contractor without the written consent of the CEO. Any attempt by the Contractor to assign any portion of this Contract without the written consent of MIHS shall constitute a breach of this Contract, and may render this Contract null and void.
- B. No assignment shall alter the Contractor's legal responsibility to MIHS to assure that all of the provisions under this Contract are carried out. All terms and conditions in this Contract shall be included in all Contractor's assignments.
- C. Maricopa County may, upon 90 days prior written notice, and without the consent of the other party hereto, assign this Contract.
- D. The contract shall be assigned by Maricopa County, DBA Maricopa Integrated Health System (MIHS) to the political subdivision referred to as the Maricopa county Special Health Care District, created as a result of the November 4, 2003 special election, which is hereby acknowledged and agreed to effective January 1, 2005.

36. SUBCONTRACTS

- A. No subcontract alters the Contractor's legal responsibility to MIHS to assure that all of the provisions under this Contract are carried out. All terms and conditions in this Contract shall be included in all Contractor's subcontracts.
- B. Contractor may enter into Subcontractor agreements with qualified providers or with professional corporations. All such subcontracts are subject to the review and prior approval of MIHS.
- C. Contractor agrees that it is liable and responsible for any act or omission by the Subcontractor, its employees, agents, officers and representatives, occurring in the course of Contractor's performance of this Contract, whether such act or omission occurs on County property or elsewhere. Contractor shall be liable for any loss or damage arising out of or related to Subcontractor's performance of this contract. Contractor shall bear the above stated liability for all consequential, incidental, direct, and indirect damages, and shall be liable for all costs, including attorney's fees, incurred by MIHS to enforce this provision, even in absence of its own negligence, unless County actions caused the loss or damage.
- D. If Contractor is a professional corporation, professional limited liability company, partnership or other association, Contractor shall obligate in writing each of its shareholders, members, partners or professional employees who may perform services under this Contract, to comply with all of the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- E. The CEO may require the termination of any subcontract or subcontractor for the reasons set forth in Paragraph #38, Termination.

37. AMENDMENTS

A. All Amendments to this Contract must be in writing and signed by both parties, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph.

- B. When MIHS issues an amendment, the Contractor shall sign and return the required number of original copies of the amendment. The provisions of such amendment will be deemed to have been accepted 60 days after the date of mailing by MIHS even if the amendment has not been signed by the Contractor, unless within that time the Contractor notifies MIHS in writing that it refuses to sign the amendment. If the Contractor provides such notification, MIHS will initiate a Dispute or Termination proceeding, as appropriate.
- C. MIHS may, by written amendment, make changes within the general scope of this Contract. If any such amendment causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this Contract, the Contractor or MIHS may assert its right to an equitable adjustment in compensation paid under this contract. The Contractor or MIHS must assert its right to such adjustment within 30 days from the date of receipt of the change notice.

38. TERMINATION

A. Termination For Convenience

Either party may terminate this Contract at any time with 90 days notice in writing to the other party. This provision does not preclude MIHS from terminating the Contract sooner under other applicable provisions of this Contract.

B. <u>Termination By Mutual Agreement</u>

This Contract may be terminated by mutual written agreement of the parties specifying the termination date therein.

C. Termination For Cause

MIHS may terminate this Contract for cause upon 14 calendar days written notice to the Contractor. Such cause may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) Breach of this Contract which is not corrected within 14 calendar days after written notice thereof, served by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested.
- (2) Professional misconduct as determined by MMC's Medical Staff in accordance with the MMC's Medical Staff Bylaws or Rules and Regulations.
- (3) Continual neglect of duty or violation of MMC's or MMC's Medical Staff Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, or policies.
- (4) Inability to discharge the duties and responsibility under this Contract for a continual period of 14 calendar days or more.

D. Immediate Termination

- (1) MIHS may terminate this Contract immediately when the life, health or safety of a Member, Beneficiary, Patient, County employee or County Contracted employee is jeopardized by the activities or inactivities of Contractor.
- (2) MIHS may also terminate this Contract immediately, with notice to the Contractor, upon the

occurrence of any of the following events:

- Loss, restriction or suspension of Contractor's license, certification or other authority essential
 to its ability to perform its obligations under this Contract including, but not limited to,
 decertification from participation in the AHCCCS, Medicaid or Medicare programs,
- b. Insolvency, dissolution or bankruptcy of the Contractor.

E. Termination - Availability Of Funds

If any action is taken by any state agency, federal department, county government or any other agency, payer or instrumentality to suspend, decrease, or terminate its fiscal obligations under, or in connection with, this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract, MIHS may amend, suspend, decrease, or terminate its obligations under, or in connection with, this Contract. In the event of termination, MIHS shall be liable for payment only for services rendered prior to the effective date of the termination, provided that such services performed are in accordance with the provisions of this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract. MIHS shall give written notice at least 10 days in advance of the effective date of any suspension, amendment, or termination under this section.

Such notice shall be given by personal delivery or by Registered or Certified mail. The Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for work in progress, work completed and materials accepted before the effective date of the termination.

F. Obligations Of Provider Upon Termination

Contractor shall use best efforts to transfer care of Members to other Providers as soon as practical upon suspension or termination of this Contract by MIHS. Contractor is responsible for care of Members until they are accepted by another qualified provider and is obligated to accept payment rates stated herein for those services rendered from MIHS or any other Payer.

G. If this Contract is terminated on the bases of Paragraph(s) 38. A, B, or D, the provisions of Paragraph 16, Disputes, do not apply.

39. DEFAULT

The County may suspend, modify or terminate this Contract in whole or in part, immediately upon written notice to Contractor in the event of a non-performance of stated objectives or any other material breach of contractual obligations; or upon the happening of any event which would jeopardize the ability of the Contractor to perform any of its contractual obligations. Maricopa County reserves the right to have service provided by other than the Contractor if the Contractor is unable or fails to provide requested service within the specified time frame or in the contractually prescribed manner.

40. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The provisions under this Contract or any other applicable Payer Contract relating to payment for services shall become effective when funds assigned for the purpose of compensating the Contractor as herein provided are actually available to MIHS for disbursement. The CEO shall be the sole judge and authority in determining the availability of funds and MIHS shall keep the Contractor fully informed as to the availability of funds.

41. CONTRACTOR'S CONDUCT

Contractor will not engage in any conduct, activities, business or professional arrangements that jeopardize this Contract or Contractor's performance, obligations or duties under this Contract.

42. RIGHT OF CANCELLATION PER A.R.S. § 38-511

Notice is given that pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511 the County may cancel this contract without penalty or further obligation within three years after execution of the Contract, if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the Contract on behalf of the County is at any time while the Contract or any extension of the Contract is in effect, an employee or agent of any other party to the Contract in any capacity or consultant to any other party of the Contract with respect to the subject matter of the Contract.

Additionally, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511 the County may recoup any fee or commission paid or due to any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating the Contract on behalf of the County from any other party to the Contract arising as the result of the Contract.

1. DEFINITIONS

As used in this Contract, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

<u>Appeal</u> means a request for a standard or expedited reconsideration of the denial of a requested service or payment of a service.

<u>Service Area</u> means the geographic area where the Contractor is obligated to provide services under this Contract.

2. DELIVERY OF SERVICES

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to meet MIHS' service delivery requirements, as described in the Work Statement. MIHS reserves the right to obtain services on the open market in the event the Contractor fails to make service deliveries and any price differential shall be charged against the Contractor.

3. NO GUARANTEED VOLUME

MIHS and County Departments reserve the right to add and/or delete services to this contract. Should a service requirement be deleted, payment to the Contractor will be reduced to proportionally, to the amount of the service reduced in accordance with the contract price. Should additional services be required from this contract, the increase in the amount of services will be proportionally increased in accordance with the contract price.

4. CONTRACT MONITORING

MIHS and County Departments will monitor the Contractor's compliance with, the performance under, the terms and conditions of the contract. Contractor shall make available for inspection and/or copying all records and accounts relating to the work performed and/or services provided under this contract.

I. OBJECTIVE:

The objective is to ensure proper handling, storage, removal and treatment of the biohazardous medical waste, a safe working environment for our staffs in the cost effective manner.

II. SCOPE OF WORK:

The purpose of the RFP is to solicit proposals for the collection, transportation, treatment & disposal of biohazardous medical wastes, which generated by MIHS and other Maricopa County Departments. Contractor is responsible to provide all containers and supplies required at all facilities, containers size and required supplies varies from each location. It is our intent to award a contract to a qualified vendor, which is capable to service all MIHS facilities (in Exhibit A) and all Maricopa County Departments (in Exhibit B).

- 1. Contractor shall meet or exceed the regulations of Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), Center for Disease Control (CDC), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Transportation (DOT), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Joint Commission of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC), (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) OSHA, and all other federal, state and other local applicable laws for Bloodborne pathogens for the collection, transportation, treatment and disposal of the biohazardous waste. Submit documentations with proposal proving all applicable regulations have been met.
- 2. Personnel must be appropriately trained to perform services, please provide supporting documentation (training log, & exposure control plan) that all personnel have been properly trained to perform their duties as outlined by all applicable standards.
- 3. Describe your methodology used for sterilization or disinfection.
- 4. Describe your company's operation & procedures.
- 5. Does your company have an exposure control plan? If so, please describe.
- 6. Provide sample of what tracking system your company use for collection, rendering, and disposition by site, and poundage.
- 7. All wastes must be disposed in an approved incinerator/autoclave site, Where is your designed waste disposal facility?
- 8. MIHS is committed to providing a safe working environment for our staffs; describe what program or methodology is available thru your company to assist MIHS to communicate the latest safety regulations to our staffs.
- 9. MIHS is opened to review any programs available thru your company, which can be beneficial to Environmental Services and infection control Department, describe programs available; it is MIHS' decision to participate in any/all or none of the programs, which ever is most advantageous to MIHS.

III. REQUIREMENTS

Contractor shall be responsible for collection, transportation, handling, and loading of the medical
waste from storage locations(s) as determined by MIHS and County representatives to the truck
used for transportation to off site locations. The Contractor shall not store medical waste containers

in any other areas.

- 2. All wastes collected from MIHS and County Departments must be documented, tracked and transported in accordance with local, State and Federal policies and procedures; shall be transported to an authorized wasted treatment facility.
- 3. Contractor shall provide quarterly and annual reports, to include summary of waste control documentation, cost, and problems identified regarding MIHS or contracted waste company.
- 4. Contractor must submit, upon request, quality control and assurance results of all biological monitoring, maintenance logs, down time log, and training logs.
- 5. Contractor shall accept all wastes as defined in section IV,
- 6. Contractor shall take title for wasted upon possession; contractor shall perform this service at own risk and shall hold the MIHS and County harmless once title to the waste is taken.

IV. CLARIFICATIONS (Biohazardous Medical Waste includes):

- 1. Sharps include, but are not limited to
 - a. Needles, syringes, lancets, staples, knife blades, and ampoules.
 - b. Needles with attached tubing, scalpel and razor blades
 - c. Dental wires, disposal surgical instruments, and electrosurgical needles/blades
 - d. Medical/laboratory glassware as slides, pipettes, blood tubes, vials, bottles, contaminated broken glass and contaminated unbroken glass articles which could be broken during handling and transportation thus rendering them sharps waste
- 2. <u>Regulated/Infectious Wastes</u> include the following items described by OSHA as "Regulated Waste" and/or by the CDC as Infectious:
 - a. Microbiology or Pathology waste,
 - b. Sealed sharps containers of contaminated sharps,
 - c. Blood specimens, blood products, or other potentially infectious materials (OPIM),
 - d. Liquid or semi-liquid blood or other potentially infectious materials,
 - e. Items contaminated with blood or other potentially infectious materials, which would release these substances in a liquid or semi-liquid state if compressed (e.g., saturated dressings),
 - f. Items that are caked with dried blood or other potentially infectious materials and are capable of releasing these materials during handling, and
 - g. Suctioned fluids containing blood or other potentially infectious materials.
- 3. Other Potentially Infectious Materials (OPIM):
 - a. Semen, vaginal secretions, cerebrospinal fluid, synovial fluid, pleural fluid, pericardial fluid, peritoneal fluid amniotic fluid, saliva in dental procedures, and any body fluid that is visibly contaminated with blood, and all body fluids in situations where it is difficult or impossible to differentiate between body fluids.
 - b. Any unfixed tissue or organ other than intact skin from a human, living or dead.
 - c. HIV-containing cell or tissue cultures, organ cultures, and HIV- or HBV- containing culture medium or other solutions, blood, organs, or other tissues from experimental animals infected with HIV or HBV.
- 4. Biohazardous material is any substance capable of producing infection or injury.
- 5. <u>Chemotherapy Waste</u> including sharps, vials, syringes, tubing and IV bags and other discarded

contaminated items generated in the preparation and administration of cytotoxic/antineoplastic drugs.

V. MIHS RESPONSIBILITIES:

MIHS and County Departments will:

- a) Segregate and pack waste in accordance with local, State, Federal and Organizational policies and procedures.
- b) Properly label and mark medical waste bags and containers.

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1. COMPENSATION

- A. Subject to the availability of funds, MIHS will, within 45 days from the date of receipt of the clean invoice, process and remit to the Contractor, a warrant for payment Should MIHS make disallowance in the invoice, the invoice shall be processed for the reduced amount. Contractor shall be notified in writing of the amount and reasons for any disallowances and shall be afforded the opportunity to document the appropriateness of the disallowed costs and to resubmit an invoice for payment. Contractor will direct all invoice inquiries to the Accounts Payable Department at (602) 344-8404. If the Contractor does not understand or disputes the findings of the Accounts Payable Department, or if the Contractor does not believe that there has been a fair resolution of the issue, they may initiate the Disputes process in accordance with the Disputes clause of this Contract.
- B. The Contractor understands and agrees that MIHS will not honor any invoice submitted beyond the allowable time frame. Initial invoices for payment must be submitted within six months after date of service. Clean invoices must be resubmitted as a clean invoice no more than 12 months after the date of service. Contractor understands and agrees that MIHS will not process any invoice for payment for services rendered prior to the Contract expiration date which are submitted 60 days after the Contract expiration date without approval of the Chief Financial Officer.

SPECIFIC DETAILS REGARDING PRICING WILL BE INSERTED HERE.

Description	MIHS Unit Cost	County Department Unit Cost
By Weight/Per LB	\$0.15 per pound + \$25.00 Minimum Pick Up Fee. The minimum pick up fee would only apply if we pick up less than 167 pounds per stop. All County facilities participating in the bid	\$0.15 per pound + \$25.00 Minimum Pick Up Fee. The minimum pick up fee would only apply if we pick up less than 167 pounds per stop. All County facilities participating in the bid
Per Container	\$7.00 per container \$0.00 Minimum Pick Up Fee	\$7.00 per container \$0.00 Minimum Pick Up Fee
Pathological Waste	\$0.15 per pound or \$7.00 per container	\$0.15 per pound or \$7.00 per container

3. METHOD OF PAYMENT

A. Invoices for all MIHS locations (Exhibit A) shall be submitted to:

Maricopa Integrated Health System Attention: Accounts Payable Department P.O. Box 5233 Phoenix. Arizona 85010

Or

To the address specified on the purchase order to other County Departments

- B. Invoices must consist of the following information:
 - 1) Contract number
 - 2) Purchase order number
 - 3) Pick up facility location
 - 4) Itemized description of work performed
 - 5) Contracted billing price
 - 6) Total

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ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Training
- 2) Waste Acceptance Policy
- 3) Business Permits & Licenses
- 4) Compliance Monitoring Report
- 5) Stericycle Waste Destruction Method, Waste Reduction & Training
- 6) Policies and Procedures AZ
- 7) Protocol for Review of Off-Site Contractor Environmental, Health & Safety Program
- 8) Butterfield Station
- 9) New Employee Training Topics
- 10) Stericycle Key Contacts

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EXHIBIT A

MIHS Facilities and Maricopa Medical Center